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SUBJECT: CONSULAR PACKAGE - FY-1975

POST: AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL DATE: JULY 9, 1973
 HAMBURG, GERMANY

FY 1973 FY 1974 FY 1975

PART I - IMMIGRANT VISAS NOT APPLICABLE FOR HAMBURG

PART II - NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

1. NIV'S ISSUED 34530 41500 53800

2. NIV'S REFUSED 326 360 400

3. NIV'S RELAVIDATED/

TRANSFERRED 1791 2250 3375

SUB TOTAL NIV CASES 36647 44110 57575

4. BORDER CROSSING CARDS

ISSUED - - -

5. CREW LIST VISAS:

CREW LISTS PROCESSED 861 900 900

INDIVIDUAL NAMES INC. 28413 30000 30000

6. CONGRESSIONAL CORRES. 10 10 10

TOTALS 65931 75020 88485

7. MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:

AMERICAN 2483 2500 2500

LOCAL 8903 11700 13500

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TOTALS 11386 14200 16000

PART III - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

1. DEATHS OF AMERICAN			
CITIZENS	134	150	150
2. ESTATE AND PROPERTY			
CLAIMS	56	50	50
3. NOTARIALS	1897	1650	1700
4. WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS	273	300	350
5. ARRESTS	12	15	15
6. SEAMEN AND SHIPPING	94	95	95
7. TREASURY CHECKS			
(HANDLED BY FRANKFURT)	-	-	-
8. SERVICES FOR OTHER			
FED. OR STATE AGENCIES	9101	10000	10000
9. CONGRESSIONAL CORRES.	9	10	10
TOTALS	11576	12270	13370

10. MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:			
AMERICAN	1024	1800	1800
LOCAL	6721	10800 #	10800 #
(# SEE REMARKS)			
TOTALS	7745	12600	12600

PART IV - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

1. EXECUTION OF			
APPLICATIONS	950	990	1040
2. EXAMINATION OF			
APPLICATIONS	1	0	0
3. ISSUANCE	936	975	1020
4. CERTIFICATE OR CARD			
OF IDENTITY	44	45	50
5. NO-FEE	8	10	12
6. AMENDMENT	445	475	500
7. VERIFICATION	0	0	0
8. REGISTRATIONS	1230	1250	1270
9. BIRTH AFFIDAVIT	290	300	320

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10. BIRTH REGISTRATION	107	117	127
11. COPY FS-240	102	112	115
12. WITNESS TO MARRIAGE	-	-	-
13. WAIVER OF PASSPORT	8	8	8
TOTALS	4121	4282	4462

14. MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:

AMERICAN	1120	1800	1800
LOCAL	3364	3600	3600
TOTALS	4484	5400	5400

PART V - REMARKS AND JUSTIFICATION

A. VISA SERVICES - NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

1. THE VISA SECTION HAS DOMINATED THE CONSULAR WORKLOAD PICTURE THIS YEAR. AS THE SUBTOTAL FOR NIV CASES IN FY 1973 SHOWS, THE NIV WORKLOAD HAS INCREASED 25 PERCENT OVER FY 1972. EVEN MORE STRIKING IS THE 30 PERCENT UPSURGE IN THE NUMBER OF NIV CASES IN THE SECOND HALF OF FY73 OVER THE NUMBER OF SUCH CASES IN THE SAME MONTHS OF FY72. THIS MARKED INCREASE IS PRESUMABLY DUE TO THE

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LIMITING OF TRWOV AND, TO AN INCREASING EXTENT, TO THE CONTINUING DEVALUATION OF THE DOLLAR, WHICH HAS MADE A VACATION IN THE U.S. 28 PERCENT CHEAPER NOW FOR GERMAN TOURISTS THAN SIX MONTHS AGO.

2. 134 BOULDER CASES IN THE SECOND HALF OF FY 73 ALONE REQUIRED 63 SEPARATE TELEGRAMS. THE INCREASE IN WORKLOAD WHICH THIS REPRESENTS OVER PRE BOULDER FY 72 IS NOT REFLECTED IN THE STATISTICS.

3. NIV WORKLOAD STATISTICS AND THE WORKLOAD/MANHOURLY RATIOS RESULTING THEREFROM ARE DISTORTED FOR THIS POST BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE TO GIVE PROPER WEIGHT TO CREWLIST VISAS. ALTHOUGH CREWLIST VISAS MAY INCLUDE FROM ONE UP TO SEVERAL HUNDRED NAMES, THEY AVERAGE OUT TO 30/35 NAMES EACH. SINCE THE PROCESSING, OTHER THAN FOR THOSE REQUIRING NAME CHECKS, IS SIMPLY THAN FOR INDIVIDUAL VISAS, PERHAPS FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES EVERY FIVE

PERSONS ON A CREWLIST COULD BE CONSIDERED EQUIVALENT TO ONE NIV. IF THIS WERE DONE, THE 28,413 NAMES ON CREWLISTS VISAED HERE IN FY 73 WOULD BE THE EQUIVALENT OF 5,682 ADDITIONAL NIV'S, WHICH, IF ADDED IN, WOULD GIVE A MORE ACCURATE PICTURE OF THE VISA WORKLOAD AT THIS POST THAN THE MISLEADING FIGURE OF 861 CREWLIST VISAS.

4. FACING IN FY 73 AN NIV WORKLOAD (DISREGARDING CREWLIST VISAS) OF MORE THAN 5,000 UNITS GREATER THAN ESTIMATED, THE ONE AMERICAN/FIVE LOCAL VISA SECTION HAD TO DRAIN A TOTAL OF 642 MANHOURS FROM LOCAL EMPLOYEES OF OTHER CONSULAR AND NON-CONSULAR SECTIONS AND A TOTAL OF 415 MANHOURS FROM THE TWO AMERICAN OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO NON-VISA CONSULAR POSITIONS. IN ADDITION, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS OF FY 73, APPROXIMATELY 280 HOURS OF AFTER HOURS VISA WORK WAS PERFORMED BY AMERICAN OFFICERS, MUCH OF WHICH TIME WAS DEVOTED TO CLERICAL TASKS FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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WHICH THE LOCAL EMPLOYEES HAD NO TIME DURING OFFICE HOURS.

5. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE NIV WORKLOAD WILL INCREASE BY A NORMAL FACTOR OF 20 PERCENT EACH YEAR PLUS AN ADDITIONAL 10 PERCENT IN FY 75 BECAUSE OF THE AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. THIS WOULD REQUIRE AS A MINIMUM THE HIRING OF ONE ADDITIONAL PERMANENT LOCAL FOR FY74 AND A SECOND FOR FY 75, WITH ADDITIONAL FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO HIRE ONE TEMPORARY LOCAL IN THE PEAK MONTHS OF THE YEAR, NAMELY MARCH THROUGH AUGUST. A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE REVALIDATION/TRANSFERRAL CATEGORY IS EXPECTED BECAUSE OF THE LARGE VOLUME OF INDEFINITE VALIDITY VISAS WHICH HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

B. SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

1. DUE TO THE CONSTANTLY INCREASING NUMBER OF FEDERAL BENEFIT RECIPIENTS IN GERMANY, RESPONSIBILITY FOR SSA CLAIMS DEVELOPMENT WORK HAS RECENTLY BEEN SHIFTED TO FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS IN GERMANY. SINCE PERSONNEL PERFORMING FEDERAL BENEFITS WORK AT THIS POST WERE ALREADY WORKING AT FULL CAPACITY DUE TO HEAVY CONCENTRATIONS OF SSA RECIPIENTS IN NORTHERN GERMANY, EXPANDED SOCIAL SECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES REQUIRED ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL AT THIS POST. TO COPE WITH THE INCREASE IN WORKLOAD AS A RESULT OF THE INITIATION OF CLAIMS DEVELOPMENT, HAMBURG WAS AUTHORIZED TWO ADDITIONAL LOCAL EMPLOYEES, ONE OF WHOM HAS JUST BEEN HIRED.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THIS STAFFING WILL BE SUFFICIENT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS EXPANDED RESPONSIBILITIES CAN BE DOCUMENTED IN MORE DETAIL. AT THE PRESENT TIME, POSTS IN GERMANY ARE NOT IN FULL OPERATION OF SSA CLAIMS DEVELOPMENT WORK.

2. THE SLIGHT DIP IN PROTECTIVE SERVICES STATISTICS, RATHER THAN THE INCREASE AS PREDICTED, MAY VERY WELL BE DUE TO THE WORSENING

FINANCIAL SITUATION WHICH IS CAUSING VISITORS TO CURTAIL THEIR
STAY IN THE AREA IF NOT AVOID IT ALTOGETHER. THE POST HAS NOTED
AN INCREASE IN INDIVIDUALS ASKING ASSISTANCE IN WIRING OR MAKING
COLLECT CALLS HOME FOR MORE MONEY.

C. CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

NO SIGNIFICANT FACTORS ARE TO BE NOTED.
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PART VI - FULL TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS

VISA
NO. AMERICANS NO. LOCALS

FY 1973 - REGIONAL BUREAU		
AUTHORIZATIONS	1	5
FY 1973-FILLED POSITIONS 6/30/73	1	5
FY 1974 - REQUIRED	1	6 1/2
FY 1975 - REQUIRED	1	7 1/2

SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES
NO. AMERICANS NO. LOCALS

FY 1973 - REGIONAL BUREAU		
AUTHORIZATIONS	1	4
FY 1973-FILLED POSITIONS 6/30/73 #	1	4
FY 1974 - REQUIRED	1	6
FY 1975 - REQUIRED	1	6

TWO ADDITIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY POSITIONS HAVE ALREADY
BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR HAMBURG, ONE OF WHICH WAS FILLED
JUST AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

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NO. AMERICANS NO. LOCALS

FY 1973 - REGIONAL BUREAU

AUTHORIZATIONS 1 2

FY 1973-FILLED POSITIONS 6/30/73 1 2

FY 1974 - REQUIRED 1 2

FY 1975 - REQUIRED 1 2

GENERAL CONSULAR

NONE

TOTAL NO. AMERICANS NO. LOCAL

FY 1973 - REGIONAL BUREAU

AUTHORIZATIONS 3 11

FY 1973-FILLED POSITIONS 6/30/73 3 11

FY 1974 - REQUIRED 3 14 1/2

FY 1975 - REQUIRED 3 15 1/2.BROGAN

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